

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND HOMELAND SECURITY

Tuesday, June 7, 2005

3:15 p.m.

Room 327 House Office Building

Representative Garfield, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Garfield, Moore, Mortimer, Pavlov, Rocca, Espinoza, Sheltroun, Spade and Polidori.

Representative Espinoza moved to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2005 meeting.

Representative Moore supported the motion.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid SB 302 and SB 303 before the committee.

SB 302 Bernero State; purchasing; reporting requirements of certain departments for contracts with businesses owned by persons with disabilities; modify.

SB 303 Toy State; purchasing; state procurement program for small businesses owned by veterans with service-related disabilities; create.

Randy Hannan, representing Senator Bernero's office, testified in support of SB 302.

Heather Lombardini, representing Senator Toy's office, testified in support of SB 303.

Sean Carlson and Okey Eneli, representing the Michigan Department of Management and Budget, testified in support of SB 302 and SB 303.

Keith King, representing the Vietnam Veterans of America, testified in support of SB 302 and SB 303.*

Michael Harris, representing the Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America, testified in support of SB 302 and SB 303.*

Daniel Crocker, representing the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion and the Commanders Group of Michigan, testified in support of SB 302 and SB 303.

Lino Pretto, representing the Military Order of the Purple Heart, submitted a card in support of SB 302 and SB 303, but did not wish to speak.

Representative Polidori moved to report SB 302, with recommendation.

Representative Pavlov supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Garfield, Moore, Mortimer, Pavlov, Rocca, Espinoza, Sheltroun, Spade and Polidori,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

SB 302 reported out with recommendation.

Representative Moore offered the following amendment to SB 303:

1. Amend page 4, following line 9, by inserting:

“(C) “VETERAN” MEANS A PERSON WHO SERVED IN THE ACTIVE MILITARY, NAVAL, OR AIR SERVICE AND WHO WAS DISCHARGED OR RELEASED FROM HIS OR HER SERVICE UNDER CONDITIONS OTHER THAN DISHONORABLE.”.

Representative Espinoza moved to adopt the amendment.

Representative Mortimer supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Garfield, Moore, Mortimer, Pavlov, Rocca, Espinoza, Sheltroun, Spade and Polidori,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Moore moved to report SB 303 as substitute (H-1), with recommendation.

Representative Sheltroun supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Garfield, Moore, Mortimer, Pavlov, Rocca, Espinoza, Sheltroun, Spade and Polidori,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

SB 303 (H-1) reported out with recommendation.

With no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 4:00 p.m.

Representative John Garfield, Chair

Ben Cook
Committee Clerk
June 7, 2005
45 minutes

Date Approved and Signed

* indicates printed materials attached to original minutes.